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SUBJECT:ARACCA PETROLEUM INTEREST IN NIGER URANIUM

1. COUNTRY OFFICER CONTACTED DECEMBER 14 BY MR. ROBERT
HAFT OF ARACCA PETROLEUM COMPANY REGARDING INFORMATION
ON GENERAL INVESTMENT CLIMATE IN NIGER. ARACCA PRESIDENT
MARVIN BILLETT LEAVING FOR NIAMEY 12/14/76 TO CONCLUDE
EXPLORATION CONCESSION AGREEMENT WITH GON. MR. BILLETT
FIRST VISITED NIAMEY APPROXIMATELY SIX WEEKS AGO AND
REPORTEDLY HAS RECEIVED GREEN LIGHT FOR EXPLORATION
RIGHTS FOR SOME 15 MILLION ACRES. COUNTRY DESK URGED
MR. BILLETT CONTACT EMBASSY UPON ARRIVAL.

2. ARACCA HAS LINED UP TWO PARTNERS FOR NIGER VENTURE,
OXOCO INTERNATIONAL AND DIXELL RESOURCES. PURPOSE OF
ARACCA PHONE CALL WAS TO GATHER INFORMATION TO COUNTER
OBJECTIONS TO INVESTMENT IN NIGER RAISED BY A THIRD

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POTENTIAL PARTNER. COUNTRY DESK WILL GET BACKGROUND ON
THESE FIRMS AND POUCH TO POST.
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